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REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN & OTHER TOWN OFFICERS

OF

CORNISH, N. H.,

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

Superintending School Committee,

FOR THE

Year ending March 1, 1875.

CLAREMONT, N. H.

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L. S. To the inhabitants of the town of Cornish, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk.
3. To choose a Representative to represent this town in the General Court of this State.
4. To bring in your votes for Governor, Councilor, Senator, Railroad Commissioner, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, and one County Commissioner.
5. To bring in your votes for Representative to represent the third Congressional District of this State in the Congress of the United States.
6. To choose Selectmen and all other necessary Town Officers.
7. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges the ensuing year.
8. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to make and repair highways and bridges the ensuing year, and determine whether the same shall be paid in money or labor.
9. To see what sums of money the town will vote to raise to pay existing claims against the town.
10. To see if the town will vote to build one or more Receiving Tombs for the use of the town, locate the same, and raise money therefor.
11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to defend and carry on suits now pending between Abner P. Welcome, of Newport, N. H., and Merrill Coburn and Guardian, and transact any other business in relation to said suits thought proper.
12. To see if the town will vote that a discount be made to those persons who shall pay their taxes within such periods as the town may limit, and to fix the amount of discount on the same.
13. To see what action the town will take in regard to the suit now pending between the town of Cornish and the Proprietors of the Sullivan Railroad.
14. To see if the town will instruct their Representative to procure the enactment of a law for a more equitable distribution of the tax on the Sullivan County Railroad.
15. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road intersecting with the river road, near E. D. Austin's house, and intersecting with the new road leading to the house formerly occupied by Benjamin Smith.

Given under our hands and seal, this seventeenth day of February, A. D., 1875.

EDWARD O. DAY,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
J. M. DAVIDSON,		} <i>of</i>
WM. C. HART,		

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF CORNISH,

For the year ending March 1, 1875.

The amount of tax required to be assessed by law, and by vote of the town, is as follows :

For State tax.....	\$1,664 00	
For County tax.....	1,710 76	
For school tax.....	1,456 00	
To defray town charges.....	1,800 00	
Pay existing claims against the town	2,000 00	
For cemeteries.....	500 00	
Percentage, about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent	264 71	
Dog tax.....	96 00	
School house tax, District No. 5...	25 12	
School house tax, District No. 16..	25 22	
Extra school tax, District No. 12..	26 19	
Non-resident highway tax.....	70 82	
	<hr/>	\$9,638 82

The Selectmen have received and paid into the Treasury the following additional sums.

Tax and interest of William Sturtevant, for 1873, reported abated last year.....	\$ 2 40	
Cash refunded by the town of Newbury, for the support of Carlos Messer.....	58 46	
For support of County paupers....	215 18	
Trustee of Foss Fund, for support of poor.....	112 80	
Savings Bank Tax for 1874.....	375 72	
Railroad Tax for 1874.....	87 58	
Interest on Literary Fund for 1874	108 24	
United States Bounty.....	160 00	
Cash of V. B. Bachelor, Liquor Agent.....	57 63	
	<hr/>	\$1,178 01
Total amount of receipts		\$10,816 83

We have drawn Orders on the Treasurer as follows :

FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

District No. 1, Henry A. Weld....	\$176 96
" 2, Edward Bryant....	131 13
" 3, Charles Gilkey....	81 17
" 4, Lyman Bartlett....	64 31
" 5, Henry Chase.....	92 21
" 6, Edwin A. Davidson	227 96
" 7, Edward T. Ayers...	134 05
" 8, Moody Hook.....	152 87
" 9, William C. Smith..	82 23
" 10, William D. Lear...	109 94
" 11, Zenus Morey.....	110 46
" 12, Oliver Russ.....	28 97
" 13, Lyman Fitch.....	88 17
" 15, John M. Root.....	18 50

"	16, Norman E. Hebard.	70 59	
"	14, in Claremont, S. C. Lear	13 33	
			<hr/> \$1,582 85

FOR SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Harry P. Chamberlain.....	13 00	
Sarah J. Stevens and child.....	61 58	
Salina Burrill.....	4 60	
Lydia Allen.....	78 00	
Sabra Stearns.....	52 00	
Townsend (Transient).....	5 00	
Other Transients.....	11 50	
		<hr/> \$225 68

FOR SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.

Huldah Boyd.....	137 03	
Merrill Coburn.....	25 00	
Carlos Messer.....	46 46	
Theodore Chase.....	156 43	
Job Sturtevant.....	5 00	
Mrs. J. O. Cole and child.....	26 00	
Family of Henry Sanderson.....	33 74	
Albert O. Davis.....	5 00	
Kate Chase.....	88 03	
		<hr/> \$522 69

FOR PLANK AND TIMBER.

Harrison Leslie.....	1 10	
E. O. & H. M. Day.....	70 87	
A. W. Fairbanks.....	4 88	
William Balloch.....	12 00	
Lyman Fitch.....	2 25	
Dana N. Morgan.....	12 54	
William E. Chadburn.....	19 42	
Samuel R. Chase.....	10 00	
J. C. Whitaker.....	18 89	
Moses Walker.....	13 64	

Charles Williams.....	5 90
William C. Hart.....	1 92
Henry F. Bartlett.....	4 17
James F. Tasker.....	49 00
“ “	21 00
Dana N. Morgan.....	11 96
E. O. & H. M. Day.....	27 20
Horace L. Deming.....	2 23
Daniel E. Carroll.....	12 15
William W. Poole.....	6 50
Alfred S. Sisson.....	5 00
Freeman Huggins.....	6 54
Sylvester M. Bugbee.....	28 52
Amos Richardson.....	4 98
John Mercer.....	3 30
Chester Pike.....	7 35
Edward Bryant.....	2 32
Lemuel Martindale.....	19 40
Edwin H. Smith.....	5 30
Freeman A. Johnson.....	8 82
Frank L. Johnson.....	1 12
Elijah D. Austin.....	35 60
Albert E. Wellman.....	4 46
Orra A. Kelley.....	8 54
Edwin T. Ayers.....	15 16

 \$464 03

FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Levi H. Sanderson, building Stone	
Culvert	\$383 80
James C. Densmore.....	31 50
R. M. Cole.....	5 95
Abel W. Fairbanks.....	1 50
Orlando P. Burr.....	24 00
Edward O. Goward.....	5 00
Lyman Fitch.....	4 00
James F. Tasker, repairing Dingle-	
ton bridge.....	220 00
George W. Huggins.....	3 00
Charles D. Nevens.....	7 00

Moses Walker.....	25 06
John Conlin.....	1 50
William C. Hart.....	22 57
Stephen Williams.....	1 50
Sylvanus Wilder.....	2 50
Frederick Densmore.....	3 00
William D. Lear.....	79 87
Dana N. Morgan.....	2 00
Hiram P Raymond.....	5 75
William W. Poole.....	15 75
Elias Leavitt.....	6 00
Edward Bryant.....	27 15
William E. Westgate.....	6 57
Lewis T. Chase.....	4 49
Edwin H. Smith.....	2 00
Frank L. Johnson.....	15 00
Chapman & Stone.....	19 76
Chester Pike.....	21 87
Lyman D. Wood.....	12 70
John Conlin.....	9 00
Charles Williams.....	13 68
John J. Flint.....	4 50
Est. of B. S. Smith 1872.....	2 75
Stephen A. Tracy.....	4 25
B. Cutler Kenyon.....	6 00
B. F. Thrasher.....	3 00
George D. Kenyon.....	11 00
William E. Westgate.....	5 00
Charles E. Jackson.....	8 75
Orra A. Kelley.....	13 50
Francis E. Freeman.....	1 75
William D. Lear.....	2 50
Daniel Whitmore.....	8 75
William H. Whitmore.....	11 25
Dennis Howard.....	7 50
William W. Poole.....	36 87
Sylvester M. Bugbee.....	6 89
Edwin T. Ayers.....	10 00
Thomas A. Allen.....	2 25
James L. W. Thayer.....	68

\$1,130 66

FOR CEMETERIES.

For Cemetery near Obed Powers'	
Obed Powers, land damage.....	\$ 125 00
William B. Smith, building fence,.	6 00
John R. Sargent, building fence,...	204 90
Dana N. Morgan, work,.....	2 50
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	\$ 338 40
For Cemetery at "Center."	
Eliza Barnard, land damage,.....	10 00
Congregational Society, ".....	5 00
Harrison Leslie, building road,....	20 50
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	\$ 35 50
For Cemetery near David Chase's.	
Weston & Ruggles, paint & oils,..	13 04
William C. Hart, repairing gates and painting fence,.....	9 50
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	\$ 22 54
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Total for Cemeteries,.....	\$ 396 44

FOR INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Claremont Manuf'g Co., printing reports, 1873,	\$ 33 00
Lemuel Benway, cleaning town house twice,	8 00
W. P. Ryan, entertainment of Selectmen and Auditors, 1873,	13 50
D. L. Guernsey, blank books,	6 65
E. L. Cushing, retainer for year ending Apr.1,1874,	15 00
E. L. Cushing, Attorney fees, in suit of Sargent vs. Town of Cornish for Flag money,	51 52
E. L. Cushing, Attorney fees, in suit of Stowell & Hapgood vs. Town of Cornish,	8 00
James S. Hunter, abatement of tax, 1873,	15 01
Wallace P. Thrasher, over tax 1873,	1 00

Edward Freeman, Jr., damage to wagon,	10 00
D. L. Guernsey, Mortgage Record Book,	6 75
Stowell & Hapgood, damage to team on highway,	140 00
E. O. Day, expenses obtaining evidence in regard to Mrs. Stevens, transient pauper,	30 90
C. E. Jackson, services as Selectman, 1874,	5 00
Daniel Whitmore, over tax,	5 10
E. O. Day, services as Selectman, 1874,	5 00
J. M. Davidson, services as Selectman, 1874,	4 00
Albert Weld, services with hearse,	36 00
Ira Cheney, damage to wagon,	1 00
W. P. Ryan, entertainment of Selectmen,	7 50
Sullivan County Treasurer, County tax,	1,710 76
Carlos F. Huggins, school-house tax, Dist. No. 5,	24 00
E. O. Day, footing inventory and making taxes,	13 00
W. H. H. Allen, retainer, Stowell & Hapgood vs. Town of Cornish,	5 00
George H. Stowell, powder and fuse,	5 45
Claremont Manufacturing Co., order book,	6 50
Charles D. Nevens, damage to plow,	5 00
Moses Walker, over tax,	8 50
George Jackson, use of scraper,	2 00
J. M. Davidson, services as Trustee of Foss Fund,	6 00
William D. Lear, watering trough,	3 00
Oliver Russ, part of extra school tax, Dist. No. 12,	15 03
Elijah D. Austin, damage to horse,	25 00
Jacob Chase, damage to plow,	1 00
Dana N. Morgan, damage to wagon,	1 25
James A. Kendrick, over tax,	1 00
Orlando Powers, services as Auditor, 1873,	10 75
L. A. Shedd, damage to wagon,	2 50
Carlos F. Huggins, damage to plow,	1 50
Miller Bros. & Co., pair of coffin stools and express,	5 85
Hannah B. Jackson, land damage for brook,	10 00
Henry M. Day, services as Auditor, 1873,	6 00
State Treasurer, State tax,	1,664 00
Edwin H. Smith, watering trough,	2 00
Orlando Powers, expense of inquisition of J. L. Lamberton,	9 50
A. W. Fairbanks, watering trough,	2 00
E. O. Day, expenses to Claremont and Charles- town, twice,	7 20

E. O. Day, expenses to Enfield,	1 50
“ “ Lebanon, Concord and Claremont, to serve notice on proprietors of Sullivan Railroad, and pay State tax,	7 55
W. H. H. Allen, $\frac{1}{2}$ expense running line between Cornish and Claremont,	6 00
Edward D. Baker, Attorney fees in suit of Stowell & Hapgood vs. Town of Cornish,	8 00
J. M. Davidson, expenses to Lebanon, Enfield and Newport,	9 65
J. M. Davidson, rack for culvert,	1 25
Estate of Lorenzo Morrison, over tax,	1 70
William C. Smith, damage to wagon,	4 00
Jeduthan Emerson, over tax,	2 42
Abel Perkins, abatement of dog tax,	1 00
Chester Pike, damage on highway,	3 00
Noah P. White, watering trough,	2 00
Norman A. Deming, watering trough,	2 00
William K. Lewis, damage to wagon,	3 00
David H. Hilliard, “ “	2 00
“ use of scraper,	75
Robert Dannatt, watering trough,	3 00
“ entertainment of Selectmen,	29 42
James F. Tasker, damage to wagon,	6 00
Albert Weld, services with hearse,	22 00
William E. Westgate, printing tax notices,	2 50
Walter H. Foss, over tax,	1 70
Charles Tyler, watering trough,	2 00
William E. Westgate, abatement of school-house tax, Dist. No. 16,	25 22
Heirs of Joseph Carter, abatement of tax,	2 62
Mary Cotton, abatement of tax,	2 82
William E. Westgate, non-resident highway tax paid in labor,	40 49
Serena Huggins, abatement of tax,	2 14
T. A. Gleason, notifying Jurors,	5 25
Amon Royce, abatement of tax,	8 87
Albert O. Davis, abatement of tax, 1873,	99
“ “ “ 1874,	2 04
William D. Burr, watering trough,	2 00
Samuel M. Sherburn, repairing hearse,	6 10
Roswell H. Boyd, over tax, 1873,	3 07

Edward F. Huggins, " "	26 55
William E. Westgate, damage to horse,	45 00
E. C. Barrows, entertainment of Selectmen,	22 87
Henry M. Day, surveying,	3 00
E. O. Day, stationery, postage, blank books and express,	5 35
E. O. Day, expenses to Claremont and Newport, County pauper claims,	5 25
E. O. & H. M. Day, entertainment of Selectmen,	15 00
E. O. Day, time obtaining evidence, and proving Sarah J. Stevens and child Co. paupers,	28 00
George E. Mercer, over tax,	1 70
George W. Hunt, recording births and deaths,	4 50
" damage on highway,	3 00
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	\$4,345 99

FOR SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS.

Marvin J. Deming,	\$ 8 00
George D. Kenyon,	6 00
Carlos F. Huggins,	24 00
Chester Pike,	10 00
Seth Johnson,	8 00
Elijah D. Austin,	6 00
Norman A. Deming,	8 00
Francis E. Freeman,	3 00
E. O. & H. M. Day,	6 00
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\$ 79 00

FOR ABATEMENT OF TAXES ASKED FOR BY GEORGE W. HUNT, ON TAX BOOK FOR 1873.

Daniel M. Badger,	\$ 2 48
Horace L. Bugbee,	2 12
George W. Ellis,	77
Abel Perkins,	1 00

David L. Spaulding,.....	1 77
Levi M. Wilder,.....	2 35
William Wilder,.....	2 35
Charles Wyman,.....	2 35

\$15 19

**FOR ABATEMENT OF TAXES ASKED FOR BY
WILLIAM E. WESTGATE, COLLECTOR.**

Charles Allsaint,.....	\$2 70
George W. Ellis,.....	1 70
James W. French,.....	1 70
Henry Sanderson,.....	1 70

\$7 80

FOR TOWN OFFICERS' SERVICES FOR 1874.

T. A. Gleason, Town clerk,.....	\$35 00
T. A. Gleason, Town treasurer.....	40 00
William E. Westgate, Collector,.....	75 00
B. P. Spaulding, Superintending School Com- mittee,.....	55 00
V. B. Bachelor, Liquor agent,.....	50 00
William C. Hart, Selectman.....	84 00
James M. Davidson, ".....	84 00
Edward O. Day, ".....	98 00

521 00.

RECAPITULATION.

Total amount received,..... \$10,816 83

AMOUNT OF ORDERS DRAWN.

For support of schools	\$1582 85
" " " county paupers,	225 68
" " " town paupers,	522 69

For plank and timber,	464 03	
For labor on highways and bridges,	1,130 66	
For cemeteries,	396 44	
For incidental expenses including		
State and County taxes,	4,345 99	
For sheep killed by dogs,	79 00	
For Abatement of taxes asked for by		
George W. Hunt, 1873,	15 19	
For Abatement of taxes asked for by		
William E. Westgate, Collector,	7 80	
Town Officer's services,	521 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,291 33
Leaving a balance of		<hr/> \$ 1,525 50

ORDERS OUTSTANDING AGAINST THE TOWN.

1861, Oct. 31.	No. 64.	Peter Hook,	\$ 100 00
1862, Aug. 25.	'44.	Daniel G. Deming,	300 00
" " 30.	52.	Harvey Knights,	100 00
1863, Dec. 19.	77.	Peter Hook,	290 00
1864, Jan. 2.	110.	Joseph B. Comings,	850 00
" Aug. 13.	33.	Michael Mc Carty,	100 00
" Sept. 3.	66.	Sarah W. Westgate,	
		Balance due,	231 08
1865, Feb. 28.	195.	Dimick Baker,	1400 00
Mar. 2.	216.	Henry Gould,	461 67
1868, Jan. 1.	72.	Levi C. Fay,	1000 00
1869, " 2.	85.	William Balloch,	1500 00
1872, Feb. 24.	171.	Michael Mc Carty	100 00
" 29.	233.	Elizabeth D. Hall,	1886 40
Mar. 16.	1.	Michael Mc Carty,	100 00
Oct 1.	90.	Almeda Jackson,	161 95
Dec. 4.	150.	Forest Freeman,	175 00
" 10.	165.	David H. Chase,	4 25
1873, Jan. 1:	189.	First Baptist Society,	500 00
June 28.	28.	Samuel Putnam,	240 00
Aug. 16.	49.	Elizabeth Blood,	300 00
Dec. 27.	164.	George D. Kenyon,	950 00

1874, Feb. 26.	231.	David H. Chase,	6 51
Mar. 30.	16.	E. O. & H. M. Day,	70 87
" 26.	87.	Marvin J. Deming,	8 00
Nov. 27.	116.	George D. Kenyon,	6 00
" 28.	135.	Carlos F. Huggins,	24 00
1875, Feb. 25.	185.	Chester Pike,	10 00
" "	187.	Seth Johnson,	8 00
" "	196.	Elijah D. Austin,	6 00
" "	198.	Norman A. Deming,	8 00
" "	201.	David H. Hilliard,	2 00
" "	202.	" " "	75
" "	203.	S. A. Tracy,	4 25
" "	204.	B. C. Kenyon,	6 00
" "	205.	B. F. Thrasher,	3 00
" "	207.	Robert Dannatt,	3 00
" "	208.	" "	29 42
" "	209.	James F. Tasker,	6 00
" 26.	219.	Francis E. Freeman,	3 00
" "	232.	Walter H. Foss,	1 70
" "	248.	William D. Burr,	2 00
" "	249.	E. O. & H. M. Day,	6 00
" "	261.	B. P. Spaulding,	55 00

Total of outstanding orders against the Town \$ 11,019 85

THE LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS.

Amount of orders outstanding,	\$ 11,019 85
Interest on orders outstanding,	285 94
Due to school district No. 14,	224 12
" " " 12, part of extra school tax,	9 97
Due school dis. No. 1, Plainfield,	4 23
Total liabilities of the town,	<hr/> \$ 11,544.11

THE ASSETS OF THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS.

Jonas Hastings' note, balance due March 1, 1875,	\$ 2,388 96
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Auren Johnson's note, Balance due March 1, 1875,	1,112 95
John L. Paget's note, Balance due March 1, 1875,	30 45
George D. Kenyon's note for taxes not collected,	47 71
Auction bills,	23 59
Cash on hand,	119 65
Liquor and casks on hand,	187 00
Taxes not collected for the year 1873,	157 45
Interest at 10 per cent. from Dec. 1, 1873,	19 67
Taxes not collected for the year 1874,	983 49
Interest at 10 per cent from Dec. 1, 1874,	24 59
	<hr/> \$ 5,095 51

Amount of the debt less the assets, \$6,448 60

The Selectmen respectfully recommend the Town to raise, for the ensuing year, in addition to the amount required by law, the following sums:

To defray town charges,	\$ 1,800 00
To pay existing claims against the Town,	2,000 00
For highways and bridges,	1,800 00
All of which is respectfully submitted,	

EDWARD O. DAY,	} Selectmen of Cornish.
JAMES M. DAVIDSON,	
WILLIAM C. HART.	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Amount in Treasurer's hands March 1, 1874, as follows:			
Bal. prin. Jonas Hasting's note, dated Dec. 5 '68,	2147	54	
" Auren Johnson's, " "	1097	22	
" J. L. Paget, " "	50	00	
" G. D. Kenyon's note, Feb. 25, 1867,.	47	71	

Auction Bills,.....	23 59
State Bonds.....	4000 00
Cash.....	125 11

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Mar. 13, Received accrued int. on bond sold,	1 25
Mar. 30, Rec. of Auren Johnson, int. on note,	67 08
“ “ John L. Paget, “	29 00
May 30, “ Selectmen Wm. Sturtevant's tax and int. 1873,	2 40
July 1, Rec'd Interest on State bonds,	45 00
Sept. 4, “ Selectmen for support of County paupers,	162 68
“ “ Selectmen, cash from Town of Newbury for support of Car- los Messer,	58 46
Oct. 27, “ Selectmen interest on Foss Fund,	1 12 80
Dec. 2, “ “ Savings Bank tax,	375 72
“ “ “ Railroad tax,	87 58
“ “ “ int. on literary fund,	108 24
“ “ “ U. S. Bounty,	160 00

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Jan. 1, “ Interest on State bonds,	30 00
Jan. 12, “ Premium and interest on State bonds sold,	12 00
Jan. 25, “ Auren Johnson, int. on note,	66 38
Feb. 12, “ Selectmen for support of Co. paupers	52 50
“ “ Interest on school fund,	24 00
“ “ of G. W. Hunt, for taxes 1873,	767 95
“ “ “ “ int. on same,	26 42
“ “ Wm. E. Westgate, collector, tax- es, 1874,	8655 33
“ “ Wm. E. Westgate, collector, int. on taxes, 1874,	19 67
“ “ Selectmen, cash from liquor ag't,	57 63

10,922 09

\$18,413 26

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid as principal on old orders,	943 22
“ “ “ by State bonds dis- posed of,	4000 00
“ interest on old orders,	1076 99
“ principal on new orders,	9028 34

15,048 55

Balance in Treasurer's hands as follows :

Jonas Hasting's note.....	2047 54
Auren Johnson's note.....	1097 22
John L. Paget's note.....	29 00
George D. Kenyon's note.....	47 71
Auction Bills.....	23 59
Cash	119 65

3,364 71

\$ 18,413 26
DOG FUND.

Received of Wm. E. Westgate, Collector, taxes assessed on dogs.....	\$ 96 00
Orders drawn for damage done by dogs.....	79 00
Balance to be appropriated for Schools.....	\$ 17 00

SCHOOL FUND.

Amount of Funds in the hands of Treasurer.. \$ 470 87
Which is respectfully submitted.

T. A. GLEASON, Treasurer.

JACOB FOSS LEGACY, TRUSTEE'S REPORT.

Sept. 14, 1866, received of the executors of the will of Jacob Foss, late of Charlestown, Mass., deceased,.....	2820 00
Received interest on said legacy for the year ending Sept. 14, 1874.....	169 20

Paid the Selectmen of Cornish to be appropriated for the support of the poor of said town,	112 80
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	\$ 56 40
Deduct over paid 1873,	7 67
Making to be appropriated for flags, for the year 1874,	48 73
Expended as follows:	
June 16, 1874, paid T. A. Gleason for flag rope	4 00
Sept. 15, " " C. H. Read for pole and fixtures & putting up,	42 00
Expense of putting up flags,	2 50
On hand, unappropriated,	23
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	\$ 48 73

Which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. DAVIDSON, Trustee.

REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT.

March 1, 1874, liquor and casks on hand, \$ 196 00	
" 1, 1875, " " " " 187 00	
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	9 00
Cash Received for sales of liquor and casks	420 79
Cash Paid for liquors and freight, \$ 338 16	
Cash Paid U. S. License, 25 00	363 16
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Amonnt cash paid Selectmen,	57 63
Deduct decrease in stock on hand,	9 00
Profit on liquor sold,	<hr/>
	\$ 48 63

V. B. BACHELOR, *Agent*.

We certify that we have examined the statements by the Selectmen, Treasurer, Trustee of Foss Fund and Liquor Agent, and we find them, in all cases, properly vouched and correctly cast, and that we believe the statement of assets and liabilities of the town is made in good faith and essentially correct.

ORLANDO POWERS. }
HENRY M. DAY. } *Auditors.*

REPORT
OF THE
Superintending School Committee
OF
CORNISH, N. H.

The following, in brief, is the report of your Committee, of the schools taught in town during the past year.

The closing year, compared with the previous one, may be considered one of average success, and perhaps a fair success compared with former years.

No. 1. ("WM. BALLOCH'S.") Summer.—Miss CHRISTINA F. SMITH taught, with fair success.

Winter Term.—By GEO. L. DEMING. Not closed, but evidently a good school.

No. 2. ("AROVE THE BRIDGE.") Summer.—Miss EFFIE R. BEAL. Gave fair satisfaction.

Winter.—Miss HATTIE J. HILDRETH. All appeared well pleased, and closed finely.

No. 3. ("STEPHEN A. TRACY'S.") Summer.—Mrs. S. M. THRASHER. With her usual success.

Winter.—Miss ABBIE H. BUCKMAN. Appeared well at first, but closed without my being present.

No. 4. ("DINGLETON.") Summer.—Miss CLARA E. DENSMORE. With good success.

Fall.—Miss NELLIE E. MORGAN. Did well, and with experience, will evidently make a nice teacher.

No. 5. ("CAPT. SETH JOHNSON'S.") Summer.—MISS LIZZIE S. BALCH. Very good school.

Winter.—GEO. H. CHILD. Succeeded tolerably well, though some falling off to close.

No. 6. ("FLAT.") Summer.—MISS S. A. BRYANT. An old teacher, and succeeded well with so large a school.

Winter.—HENRY THOMAS. Rather large school for a new beginner, but after some severe trials, seems to have learned by experience, (*some* do not,) and is closing with a better look.

No. 7. ("CENTER.") Summer.—MISS HANNAH T. DEMING. Good.

Winter.—C. D. NEVENS. First rate. This district need not complain of teachers, though in consequence of sickness, it lost about two weeks of Mr. Nevens' services.

No. 8. ("GOWARD.") Summer.—MISS M. A. FREEMAN. To those who took the trouble to visit—the school needs no commendation from me.

Winter.—GEO. L. DEMING. *Just like his schools.*

No. 9. ("TOWN HOUSE,") Summer.—MISS HANNAH T. DEMING. Got through nicely.

Winter.—MISS H. T. DEMING. The school has done quite well. Much improved from last year. Scholars think more of learning.

No. 10. ("EDMINSTER.") Summer.—MISS CARRIE FLETCHER. Started finely, but teacher was compelled to leave on account of sickness, very much to the regret of all.

MISS FANNY G. PATRICK finished the term. Did quite well. If the school needed to learn *double quick*, they would get the drill.

Fall. MISS MARY E. LAWS. Appeared well to commence, but some dissatisfaction, and closed abruptly; complaint, *too much government.*

Winter. C. D. NEVENS. All right here, Mr. N——.

No. 11. ("CITY.") Summer.—MISS CARRIE E. WIGHTMAN. Short term. A capable teacher, but failed in government.

Summer.—MISS FLORA E. BAILEY. Quite a successful term.

No. 12 ("POPPYSQUASH.") Summer.—MISS BELLE SHERBURNE. A small school, but gave good satisfaction.

Fall.—MISS IDA M. MITCHELL. The term was carried through with very good success.

No. 13. ("LYMAN FITCH.") Summer.—JENNIE VALIQUETTE, kept three weeks. The school proved unprofitable, and the teacher left.

Fall and Winter.—MISS E. LAVONN WALKER. Very quiet, successful school.

No. 14. ("HEMPYARD.") No school.

No. 15. ("ROOT.") MISS SARAH H. MITCHELL. One short term. The teacher did well, but such a school is a *small* apology for any at all, and the Town ought to appropriate enough to lengthen it out if they do anything to sustain a school there.

No. 16. ("TEXAS.") MISS MARY R. TYLER. Two terms. A wide-awake school. Miss Tyler has evidently the tact for a good teacher.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

No new buildings have been erected the past year, though some were needed, and some thorough repairs should be made on others.

TEACHERS.

There have been some failures, but generally have succeeded well. Those who have done the *best know who* they are, and so do the districts where they have taught.

The greatest failure that I see in any, is a desire to go over more ground than can be done thoroughly. Let *every* teacher see that the pupils *know* what they know.

TEXT BOOKS.

These are quite too numerous and varied, putting the teachers and scholars to great inconvenience in many cases.

I have not thought best to introduce any changes, but think some may be necessary soon. First, a change in the Grammar seems very desirable. I think, in Harper's Language Lessons, my successor will find something decidedly an improvement on anything I have seen.

They are by Professor Swinton. No doubt a selection can be made, greatly to the advantage of our schools.

In Readers.—The Analytical has some strong claims for superiority. But this matter must be left for others to determine.

Generally the writing shows well.

Your Committee, in giving his report, would gratefully acknowledge the kindness and deference shown him by teacher and scholars, as well as the parents generally.

Hoping his services have not been an entire failure, this report is

Respectfully submitted,

B. P. SPALDING,

Superintending School Committee.

ROLL OF HONOR.

There is some difficulty in making out this list, as there is not exact uniformity in method, and the winter

has been very unfavorable to the strictest attendance, both on account of weather, travel and sickness, still some have a fine report. * Tardy—

No. 1. Summer.—Etta Hart, Mattie Williams and Fred Weld neither absent nor tardy. Fred, Etta, Minnie Balloch and Mattie Mitchell have not whispered during the term.

Winter.—Lizzie S. Chadbourn, Angie L. Chadbourn, Gracia S. Chadbourn, sick one-half day. Edmund B. Chadbourn, Willie L. Chadbourn, Walter Wood absent one day. Fred N. Weld, Sewell E. Thompson absent as above—unavoidable.

No. 2. The teacher gives the following as deserving a place on the Roll of Honor:—Mattie E. Westgate, Lizzie Chase, 2 terms; Gracia A. Withey, Henry D. Austin, Robbie A. Austin, Lannie Stevens, Henry H. Mercer, Earl Westgate, and Nettie Williams.

No. 4. Minnie Wood, Bertie A. Wood, Freddie L. Wood, Frank H. Leslie, 2 terms; Arthur E. Bartlett, Truman R. Walker.

No. 5. Amos S. Chase.*

No. 6. Geo. W. Hunt,* 2 terms; Amy Rich, Inez Sherburne, Eddie Hunt.

No. 7. The following have no marks. Laura A. Ayers, Addie G. Whitaker.

No. 8. Minnie L. Goward, Florence J. Lougee, 2 terms; Nora Mace, Arthur A. Penniman, 2 terms; Norman C. Penniman, 2 terms; Charles P. Weld, Andy J. Hook, Willie O. Goward, Fred H. Richardson, and Flora E. Richardson, each excused once. Nellie S. Richardson and Minnie M. Goward, each absent one day.

No. 9. Jennie Belle Smith, Eddie L. Smith, Robbie I. Tasker,* Eugene Smith.*

No. 10. Nellie M. Chase, Mary S. Fairbanks, Alice O. Fairbanks, Lizzie M. Jackson, Hattie M. Weld,* Martin H. Bean, Edwin A. Fairbanks, Chester A. Fairbanks, John Lamberton,* 2 terms; Charles C. Lear.

No. 11. Delia Morgan, Emma Morgan, Fred Jackson.

No. 12. Flora A. Russ, 2 terms; Eva M. Kelley, 2 terms; Lillian J. Kelley, 2 terms; Lizzie M. Huntington.

No. 13. Lilla E. York, Lizzie L. Stearns, Ella E. York, Elmer E. York,* Orlan P. Fitch.

No. 14. No school.

No. 15. Annie Root, John M. Root,* Martin Conlin, George E. Root.

No. 16. Hattie B. Burr, 2 terms; Hattie Switzer, Clara Allen, 2 terms; George E. Howard, 2 terms; Anna Weld, Ellen C. Hebard, Leonard Leavitt, Marion C. Leavitt, Charlie Burr.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of Dist	Names of Prudential Committee.	Names of Teachers.	No. of Terms.	No. of weeks.	No. of Schol'rs.	Average Attendance.	Wages, including board, per month.	Visits of Supt.	Visits of others
1	Henry A. Weld . .	Miss Christina F. Smith	1	12	12	5 ⁵ / ₈	24.00	2	22
		Geo. L. Deming . .	1	10	18	15		2	
2	Edward E. Bryant . .	Hattie J. Hildreth . .	2	18	20	18	20.00	2	10
3	Charles Gilkey . .	Mrs. S. M. Thrasher . .	1					2	
		Abbie H. Buckman . .	1					1	
4	Lyman Bartlett . .	Clara E. Densmore . .	1	10	10	9 7	14.00	2	11
		Nellie E. Morgan . .	1	11	12	10 ¹ / ₃	14.00	2	8
5	Henry S. Chase . .	Lizzie S. Balch . .	1	8	16	13	10.00	1	
	Martin L. Walker . .	Geo. H. Child . .	1	10	16	14	25.00	2	1
6	E. A. Davidson . .	Miss S. A. Bryant . .	1	12	36	29	24.00	2	30
		Harvey Thomas . .	1	12	48	35		2	9
7	Edward T. Ayers . .	Mrs. Hannah T. Deming	1	10	14	12	15.00	2	26
		Charles D. Nevens . .	1					1	
8	Moody Hook . .	Miss M. A. Freeman . .	1	10	18	16	24.00	2	17
		Geo. L. Deming . .	1	10	25	20	30.00	2	10
9	W. C. Smith . .	Miss H. T. Deming . .	2	10	10	9	16.00	3	5
10	Wm. D. Lear . .	Carrie L. Fletcher } Miss F. G. Patrick }	1	9	16	13	20.00	3	9
		Charles D. Nevens . .	1	4	14	13	30.00	2	10
11	Zenas Morey . .	Carrie E. Wightman . .	1	6	21	17		2	6
		Flora E. Bailey . .	1	12	24	21		2	
12	Oliver Russ . .	Belle Sherburne . .	1	12	7	6 ¹ / ₄	8.00	2	25
		Ida M. Mitchell . .	1	10	8	7 ¹ / ₂	8.00	1	14
13	Lyman Fitch . .	Miss E. Lavonne Walker	1	14	23	19	20.00	3	
		Jennie Valiquette . .	1	3	12		20.00	2	
14	No School.								
15	John Root . .	Sarah M. Mitchell . .	1	5	8	7 ¹ / ₄	14.00	1	
16	Norman E. Hebard . .	Mary R. Tyler . .	2	10	14	1 ¹ / ₂	13.00	2	24
		" "		11	19	1 ¹ / ₄	16.00	2	5

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